indulging in infiltration of large groups of people in pursuit of employment etc. in each others country.

Losses by NTC Mills

320. SHRI MUKHTIAR SINGH MALIK : Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state :

(a) what is the quantum of of loss incurred by each unit of the National Textile Corporation during the last three years, year-wise ;

(b) what are the reasons three-for ; and

(c) what steps Government are taking to revive the units?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEX TILES (KUMARI SAROJ KHAPARDE) : (a) A Statement showing the profit/loss incurred by NTC Mills during the years 1986-87 to 1988-89, year wise and millwise, is attached. (See Appen dix CLI, Annexure No. 15)

(b) The main reasons for continuous losses of NTC Mills are givenbelow :—

(i) old and obsolete machinery ;

(ii) excess labour force ;

(iii) increase in input costs like cotton, dyes and chemicals, power and fuel etc. ;

(iv) in-adequacy of investment in modernisation ;

(v) lack of working capital funds.

(c) Recently, NTC has formu lated a turn-around strategy based on selective modernisation with the help of institutional finance, res tructuring/amalgamation of un viable units, closure of unecono mic activities, product improve-ment and diversification, rationalisation of excess labour force on the basis of voluntary resignations, upgradation of selected mills into export oriented units etc.

Opening of New Branches of Banks in Rural Areas

321. SHRI MUKHTIAR SINGH MALIK : Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government pro pose to open more branches of banks in rural areas;

(b) what is the number of branches opened during the last two years, year-wise bankwise and Statewise *;*

(c) what is the number of branches of each bank working at present, Statewise and bankwise; and

(d) what is the number of branches likely to be opened, during the next two years in each State ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EX-PENDITURE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI B.K. GA-DHVI) : (a) and (d) Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has reported that under the current Branch Licensing Policy for 1985-90, 5360 eligible rural and semi-urban centres have been allotted to commercial banks including Regional Rural Banks (RRBs). Out of these centres, banks have opned branhces at 3289. rural and semi-urban centres upto 20-6-1989. The branches at the re-maining 2071 rural and semi-urban centres are yet to be opened under the current Branch Licensing Policy Period. In view of the Service Area Approach to rural 1 ending, 1236 additional centres have also been allotted to various banks for opening branches in various States. Since there current Branch Licensing Policy is due to expire on 31-3-1990, it is not possible at this stage to

assess the number of branches likely be opened during the next two years till the new Policy is evolved.

(b) Statewise and bankwise number of branches opened by banks during the last two years will be laid on the Table of the House to the extent available.

(c) State wise and bankwise total number of branches of commercial banks functioning in the country as on 30-9-1988 are indicate in the enclosed statists I & II, respectively.

Statement I

State-wise position of commercial bank branches in the country as on 7,oth September, 1938

SI. No	Nam- of the State' Union Territory	Total No. of branches
1	2	3
1.	Andhra Pradesh	4342
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	57
3.	Assam .	1040
4.	Bihar .	4362
5.	Goa	253
6.	Gujrat	3183
7.	Haryana	1230
8.	Himachal Pradesh	630
9.	Jammu & Kashmir	731
10.	Karnataka	4060
11.	Kerala .	2782
12.	Madhya Pradesh	3933
13.	Maharashtra .	5139
14.	Manipur	67
15.	Meghalaya .	137
16.	Mizoram	50
17.	Nagaland	68
18.	Orissa .	1831
19.	Punjab .	2061
20.	**Rajasthan**	2799
21.	Sikkim . .	25
22.	Tamil Nadu .	**4085**
23.	Tripura	**147**
24.	Uttar Pradesh	7808
25.	West Bengal .	3700
26.	Andaman & Nicobar Isands	16
27.	Chandigarh .	**107**
28.	Dadra & Nagar Haveli	6
29.	Daman & Diu	10
30.	Delhi .	1069
31.	Lakshadweep	5
32.	Pondicherry .	***66***
	TOTAL	55797

Statement 11

Bankwise position of Comnercial Bank Branches in the country as on 30th September, 1938

S. No	Name of Bank	No. of branches
1	2	3
1.	State Bank of India	7707
2.	State Bank of Bikaner & Jaipur	638
3.	State Bnak of Hyderabad .	630
4.	State Bank of Indore	287
5.	State Bank of Mysore	476
6.	State Bank of Patiala	538
7.	State Bank of Saurashtra .	305
8.	State Bank of Travancore	587
9.	Allahabad Bank	1440
10.	Andhra Bank	880

1	2	3
11.	Bank of Baroda	2039
12.	Bank of India	1981
13.	Bank of Maharashtra	1013
14.	Canara Bank	1911
15.	Central Bank of India .	2628
16.	Corporation Bank .	420
17.	Dena Bank .	1002
18.	Indian Bank .	1142
19.	Indian Overseas Bank	1119
20.	New Bank of India.	567
21.	Oriental Bank of Commerce	490
22.	Punjab & Sind Bank	652
23.	Punjab National Bank	2585
24.	Syndicate Bank	1453
25.	UCO Bank .	1743
26.	Union Bank of India	1691
27.	United Bank of India	1146
28.	Vijaya Bank .	689
29.	Regional Rural Banks	13665
30.	Other Indian Scheduled Commercial Banks .	4198
31.	Foreign Bank	136
32.	Non-Scheduled Banks	39
	TOTAL	55797

Seizure of Heroin

322. SHRI MUKHTIAR SIN3H MALIK : Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news-item which appeared in the Hindustan Times of 5th July, 1989 regarding seizure of 7 kg. of heroin in New Delhi on the 4th July, 1989;

(b) if so, whether any arrests have been made in this connection ;

(c) what action has been taken by Government: against the culprits ;

(d) how many cases of heroin smuggling were detected during the last two years and how much heroin was seized in each case ; and

(e) what action has been taken by Government in each case?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI AJIT PANJA) : (a) to (c) Yes, Sir. As per information received from Delhi police, 7 kgs. of heroin was seized on 30th June, 1989 by them at Delhi main railway station. Two persons, in all, had been arrested in this connection, and they have been remanded to judicial custody.

(d) and (e) The number of cases of heroin smuggling along with quantities seized in 1987, 1988 and 1989 (upto June) are given below :—

(in kilograms)

	1987		1988		1989* (upto 30.6.89)	
	No. of cases	Quantity	No. of cases	Quantity cases	No. of	Quantity
Heroin .	**351**	**2,747**	489	3,029	125	1,262

*Provisional.

Appropriate action, as deemed fit, under the relevent laws has been taken by the Government in each case.